

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Takashi NAKAGAWA et al.**

Art Unit: **1647**

Application Number: **10/673,380**

Examiner: **Sandra L. Wegert**

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For: **METHOD FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF KIDNEY DISEASES**

Attorney Docket Number: **031729**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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April 2, 2008

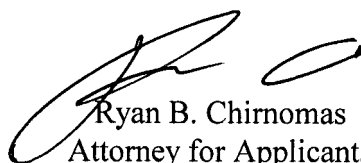
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2007 for three months from January 16, 2008 to April 16, 2008.

The fee in the amount of \$1,050.00 for the cost of the extension of time is being transmitted electronically. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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